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Honorable Paul G. Gardephe  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square, Room 2204  
New York, NY 10007

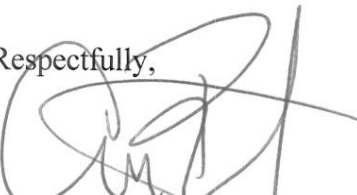
Re: ***Catherine Scorsese v. Michael Simon, et al.***, Case No: 13-cv-2718 (PGG)  
**Pre-trial Conference: March 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. (EST)**  
**Our File No. 5300-2**

Dear Judge Gardephe:

We represent plaintiff Catherine Scorsese in the above-referenced action. A telephonic pre-trial conference is scheduled for March 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. [ECF No. 21.] I will be traveling to New York for other hearings that week, and respectfully request permission to appear in person at the pre-trial conference in this matter. Counsel for defendants informed me that, as of now, they still intend to appear by telephone, but would reevaluate their decision if the Court grants my request.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



ANDREW B. BRETTLER

cc: All counsel (via ECF)

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